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SUBJECT: FRONT ATTACK ON VOA: CORRECTION OF RECORD

REF: BELGRADE 1339

1. FRONT APPEARED TODAY WITH CORRECTION ANNOUNCED BY EDITOR IN HIS LETTER OF YEATERDAY (REFTEL). ALTHOUGH PAGE NUMBER IS 3, CORRECTION APPEARS ON FIRST PAGE AFTER INSIDE FRONT COVER IN SECTION DEVOTED TO LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. THIRD INSTALLMENT OF SERIES IN SAME ISSUE DOES NOT MENTION U. S.

2. UNDER HEADING, " VOICES FROM AMERICA", FOLLOWING TEXT CARRIED:

QUOTE: IN THE SERIES " BOTH SIDES OF OUR COUNTRY' S ENEMIES (1) " FRONT NO. 11 ISSUED MARCH 16, 1973) INSTEAD OF " VOICE OF AMERICA" IT SHOULD READ: " IN THAT PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN SOME GO SO FAR THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, VARIOUS ' VOICES FROM AMERICA' RELINQUISH THEIR RADIO WAVES TO USTASHI EMIGRES SO THAT THEY MAY LAUNCH THEIR POISONOUS ARROWS AT OUR COUNTRY, AND EVEN CALL FOR DEMOSTRATIONS AND TERRORIST ACTIONS AGAINST OUR DEPLOMATIC MISSIONS." THERE ARE INDEED SO MANY SUCH " VOICES" THAT IT COULD THUS HAPPEN THOUGH STYLISTIC IMPRECISION THAT A BROADER CONCEPT
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PROVISIONALLY TERMED " VOICES FROM AMERICA" APPEARED IN
PRINT AS " VOICE OF AMERICA"; I. E., A RADIO STATION WHICH,
ON THE OTHER HAND, ABSTAINS FROM DIRECT ANTI- YUGOSLAV
PROPAGANDA. GREETINGS, MILAN KAVGIC UNQUOTE

3. AT METROPOLITAN GRAPHICS EXHIBIT OPENING TODAY, SECINFO
BUDIMOVSKI EXPRESSED FERVENT HOPE THAT ISSUE NOW SETTLED. ADDED
THAT IS WAS " SICKNESS" OF YOGUSLAV PRESS THAT WHEN ONE PAPER
WROTE SOMETHING, ALL OF THEM FELT THAT THEY HAD TO FOLLOW
SUIT. AS RESULT OF THIS AND AMERICAN MEDIA COVERAGE, THIS AND
ICCP INTERVIEWS HAD BEEN BLOWN UP INTO SOCIALLED " ANTI- AMERICAN
CAMPAIGN" WHICH HARMFUL TO GOOD RELATIONSHIP. CONCLUDED THAT
YUGOSLAV SIDE SINCERELY HOPED THAT WHOLE THING WOULD DIE DOWN NOW
WITHOUT DOING FURTHER DAMAGE.

4. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH FRONT CORRECTION FALLS SUBSTANTIALLY SHORT
OF GOAL OF ACHIEVING PUBLICATION OF PAO' S LETTER TO EDITOR, AND
WOULD HAVE BEEN CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WITH OMISSION OF " DIRECT", IN
EXPERIENCE OF LONG- TIME OBSERVERS HERE, INCLUDING YUGOSLAVS AND
FOREIGN DIPLOMATS, IT IS ONLY EXTREMELY RARELY THAT SUCH CORRECTION
PUBLISHED AND ALMOST UNIQUE IN MILITARY PUBLICATION.

5. EMBASSY CONTINUES TO SEE NO MERIT IN PUBLICIZING
MATTER FURTHER, ALTHOUGH WOULD NOT OBJECT TO BRIEF NOTING
OF CORRECTION BY VOA, SINCE ITS REPUTATION INVOLVED.
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